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Power concedes nothing without a struggle." - Frederick Douglass

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Postal Workers Demand Equality

▲ Employees Upset With Pace of Labor Talks, Working Conditions By JOHN HINTON

Shouting "We Want a Fair Contract." a group of 17 postal workers carried picket signs in front of the U.S. Post Office Head-

quarters along Patterson Avenue on a hot Tuesday afternoon to demand better working conditions. We want the public to be informed that they are going to lose out if the postal ser-

vice becomes a private enterprise," said Tena

Carter, president of local chapter of the Amer-

ican Postal Workers Union. "We want them to be informed, and not get slapped on the face at the last moment."

The protesters carried colorful signs with slogans such as "We Want a Decent Contract," "No to Privatization," "No Retirement Cuts," and "No Concessions."

Several of the marchers, mostly African Americans and a few whites, said that postal officials have fostered racial discrimination nationwide.

An example of this bigotry could be seen in the recent complaints of many African

American postal employees who said that they had been the targets of racial inequities and verbal intimidation by management.

A black protester carried Tuesday afternoon a sign with the slogan, "Equal and Civil Rights in Winston-Salem Now!!!

Black workers also have said that they were unfairly targeted in an investigation into the disappearance of thousands of dollars.

A local postal worker provided The Chronicle with documentation that he told

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Postal employees pace the sidewalk in front of the post office on Patter son Avenue protesting privatization of service.

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Police Search for Suspect

▲ Shooting at Rolling Hills Apartments leaves one dead, one recovering from head injury

Chronicle Senior Staff Writ

City police were searching on Wednesday for a suspect charged with the shooting death of an East Winston man in an incident that occurred Monday afternoon at Rolling Hills Apart-

Police are looking for Tracy Lamont Coad, 20, whose last known addresses are 5020 Lansing Drive and 153 Blaze Street. Coad is charged with the murder of Paul Woodrow Hay, 20, of 1639 East 22nd Street, according to Capt. P.R. Rumple, division commander of the police department's detectives

Coad is described as a black male, 5 feet 8 inches tall and weighing 140 pounds. Rumple said the suspect should be considered armed and dangerous.

"We don't know where he (Coad) is," Rumple said Tuesday. "He is probably somewhere in the area."

Coad is also charged with assault with a deadly weapon inflicting serious injury in the wounding of Bridgette Lynn Boston, 25, who suffered a head injury. She was listed in satisfactory condition at N.C. Baptist Hosptial on Tuesday.

Police believed the weapon used in the shooting is a semi-automatic handgun. "We have not recovered the weapon yet," Rumple said. "The public is not in anymore danger now that they were before this guy starting running around with a gun."

The shooting at Rolling Hills Apartments stemmed from a continuing argument among the two groups of friends



Paul Hay

B. Lynn Boston

on Mother's Day, May 14. "They were arguing about something, but we don't know what it was," Rumple said.

Hay was killed Monday by gunfire when bullets struck the car he and two other people were sitting in at the apartment complex. Police arrived at the scene after receiving a report of gun being fired, but they made no arrests.

Three residents of Rolling Hills said they were shocked, scared, and angry over the death of Hay. They declined to reveal their names as they talked to a Chronicle reporter.

"I don't sel safe here," said a young black mother holding her infant son. "It has been really hard to talk about what happened her on Monday."

A youthful black man complained that the Winston-Salem Police routinely neglects to patrol Rolling Hills and local housing projects and responds to calls after crimes have aleady been commit-

"They just show up after all the shooting is over," he said angrily. "Then, we never see them again."

A teenage girl lamented over the loss of Hay, whom she described as her

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African, African American Summit Focused on Trade

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Lawrence reception held at

By WILLIAM REED NNPA Director of Communications

Responding to comments of Rev. Leon H. Sullivan that, "All the black man needs is the opportunity to prove what he can do." more than 5,000 Africans and African Americans gathered in Dakar, Senegal West Africa in early May to prove what they could do toward strengthening their own relationships and that of Africa's economy. The

Third African, African American Summit brought together 21 heads of nations, professional from all areas and students to discuss solutions to help relieve Africa's economic problems - one of which is an estimated \$150 billion debt.

Sullivan, who has an outstanding record of collective economics and working in Africa, said, "I wanted to

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Womble, Oldham Urge Senate To Restore Cuts in Programs By JOE JOHNSON

Capital Correspondence

RALEIGH - State Reps. Larry Womble and Pete Oldham joined 16 other members of the House Tuesday to urge the Senate to restore cuts made in programs for families and children.

The House continuation budget. which was sent to the Senate last week. cuts more than \$237 million in spending by the state.

Two programs that could face the

greatest challenge of reaching their financial needs are Smart Start and the Guardian Ad Litem program.

Smart Start. Gov. Jim Hunt's earlychildhood education program, has received most of the scrutiny so far. The House leadership isn't convinced that Smart Start is the best way to use public funds. However, a deal was struck that would allow the program to expand if

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